

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

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SIGNATURES NETWORK, INC.
a Delaware corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN DOES 1-100, individuals,
JANE DOES 1-100, individuals,
and XYZ COMPANY, business
entity form unknown, inclusive,

Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION NO.

05 - 10628 - RWZ

MAGISTRATE JUDGE Dea/Dea

COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE LANHAM ACT

Plaintiff Signatures Network, Inc., by its attorneys, files this complaint against defendants, alleging as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. This action arises under the Lanham Trademark Act 15 U.S.C. §§ 1051 et seq. (the "Lanham Act"). Accordingly, this Court has federal question jurisdiction over the subject matter of this action pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1221 and 28 U.S.C. §§ 1338(a), (b). Venue in this district is proper under 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).

PARTIES

2. Signatures Network, Inc. ("Plaintiff") is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business in San Francisco, California.

3. Defendants John Does 1-100, Jane Does 1-100 and XYZ Company who are sued herein under fictitious names because their true names and capacities are unknown at this time. This complaint will be amended when their true names and capacities are ascertained.

4. Upon information and belief, the individual defendants will be present in and about the District of Massachusetts in connection with the claims asserted below and are or will be subject to the jurisdiction of this Court.

5. On information and belief, defendant XYZ Company through its agents, servants and employees, is or will be present in and about the District of Massachusetts and is or will be subject to the jurisdiction of this Court.

6. Defendants, and each of them, are individuals and business entities who, upon information and belief, are acting in concert and active participation with each other in committing the wrongful acts alleged herein.

7. Defendants John Does 1-100, Jane Does 1-100, and XYZ Company are hereinafter referred to collectively as "Defendants."

THE BACKGROUND OF THE ACTION

8. Plaintiff is engaged in the manufacture, distribution and sale of various types of merchandise sold and distributed at concerts and at retail stores of musical performing artists and groups, including, but not limited to tour and program books, T-shirts, jerseys, sweatshirts, hats, visors, buttons and posters (collectively "Merchandise") which embody the names, likenesses and trademarks of various musical performers and groups.

9. The group known as "MAROON 5" (the "Artist"), is the tradename used by this musical group in connection with their performing, recording, merchandising and other related goods in all aspects of the entertainment industry and to distinguish their services from all other such artists. The Artist has used their mark in connection with their recording and performing services for nearly 4 years. The Artist has applied for Federal Trademark Registration.

10. Pursuant to an agreement between the Artist and Plaintiff (the "Agreement"), Plaintiff possesses the exclusive right to utilize all trademarks, service marks, trade names, likenesses and logos of the Artist (collectively, the "Artist's Trademarks") on and in connection with Merchandise ("Tour Merchandise") sold and offered for sale in the vicinity of the Artist's concerts on their present North American concerts tour (the "Tour").

11. The Artist has used their trademarks to identify officially authorized goods and services and to distinguish themselves from those of others by, among other things, prominently displaying the Artist's Trademarks in advertising, on promotional material, on recording covers and on Tour Merchandise.

12. The Artist has achieved wide renown during their career in the music industry. The Artist's Trademarks have been used in interstate commerce on and for the purpose of identifying, among other things, Tour Merchandise, including T-shirts and other apparel.

13. The Artist has a decidedly strong and loyal following among those who attend popular music concerts and record buyers. The Artist has appeared in concerts at major arenas and stadiums in the United States, Canada, and throughout the world and have been seen and heard in concerts by millions of popular music enthusiasts. The Artist has sold over five million units of recordings.

14. The Artist's previous tours were attended by hundreds of thousands of people. Many of the Artist's performances are sold out or nearly sold out.

15. As a result of the foregoing, each of the Artist's Trademarks have developed and now possesses secondary and distinctive meaning to purchasers of the Tour Merchandise bearing any or all of the Artist's Trademarks.

16. Plaintiff and the Artist annually realize substantial income from the sale of the Tour Merchandise bearing the Artist's Trademarks, and hundreds of thousands of such items have been sold throughout the United States.

17. On April 2, 2005, at the Agganis Arena in Boston, Massachusetts and April 4, 2005 at the Mullins Center in Amherst, Massachusetts, the Artist will perform (the "Concerts").

18. Pursuant to the Agreement, the Artist has granted to Plaintiff the exclusive right to market articles of clothing and other Tour Merchandise bearing any or all of the Artist's Trademarks at or near the site of the Concerts and at all other arenas and stadiums in which the Tour will perform. The authorized Tour Merchandise bearing any or all of the Artist's Trademarks will be distributed throughout the United States in connection with the Tour.

DEFENDANTS' UNLAWFUL CONDUCT

19. On information and belief, Defendants will sell and distribute unauthorized T-shirts, jerseys, caps and/or other merchandise bearing any or all of the Artist's Trademarks (the "Unauthorized Merchandise") in the vicinity of the Concerts before, during and after their performance, and at subsequent concerts during the Tour. Defendants have already begun selling the Unauthorized Merchandise.

20. The Unauthorized Merchandise is of the same general appearance as Plaintiff's Merchandise and is likely to cause confusion among prospective purchasers. Defendants' Unauthorized Merchandise is not authorized by the Artist or Plaintiff.

21. The Unauthorized Merchandise sold and to be sold by Defendants is generally of inferior quality. The sale of such merchandise has injured and is likely to injure the reputation of the Artist which has developed by virtue of their public performances and the reputation for high quality associated with Plaintiff and its Tour Merchandise.

22. The aforesaid acts by Defendants and others are likely to cause the purchasing public to believe that the sale of such Unauthorized Merchandise is authorized, sponsored or approved by the Artist and/or Plaintiff and that such Unauthorized Merchandise is subject to the same quality control and regulation required by the Artist and/or Plaintiff, despite the fact that this is not true. It also injures Artist and Plaintiff in that Defendants do not have to pay any royalty for these unlawful sales.

23. The aforesaid manufacture, distribution and sale of Unauthorized Merchandise bearing the names, trademarks and/or likenesses of the Artist constitutes a false designation of the source of origin of such goods and falsely describes and represents such merchandise. The use by Defendants and others of the Artist's Trademark also constitutes an attempt to palm off and appropriate to themselves the Artist's and Plaintiff's exclusive rights therein.

24. Upon information and belief, Defendants and others have and will continue to engage in such unauthorized activities in this state and elsewhere in interstate commerce and are likely to continue such activities throughout the Tour, to the great injury of Plaintiff and the Artist.

25. Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law and will suffer irreparable harm and damage as a result of the aforesaid acts, in an amount presently incalculable.

CLAIM FOR RELIEF
(Violation of the Lanham Act)

26. Plaintiff realleges each allegation set forth in paragraphs 1-25 above, inclusive.

27. By reason of the foregoing, Plaintiff hereby asserts a claim against Defendants for injunctive and monetary relief pursuant to Section 43(a) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a), with regards to the false designation of origin and false descriptions and representations in commerce of Defendants' Unauthorized Merchandise.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, plaintiff, Signatures Network, Inc. seeks relief against Defendants as follows:

A. As to All Claims For Relief, that Defendants, their agents, servants, employees, officers, attorneys, successors and assigns, and all persons acting in concert with them, be enjoined in this and all other judicial districts in the United States, preliminarily during the course of this litigation and permanently from: 1) manufacturing, distributing, selling, offering for sale, holding for sale or advertising any products, merchandise or goods bearing the name, trademark, or likeness of the Artist or any colorable variation or imitation thereof; and 2) representing that any products, merchandise or goods manufactured, distributed, sold, held for sale or advertised by them is sponsored or authorized by Plaintiff in this district or in any other district in which Plaintiff seeks to enforce this Court's injunction order.

B. As to All Claims For Relief, that this Court order the United States Marshal, the local and state police or sheriff, off duty officers of the same, authorized agents of Plaintiff, and/or any persons acting under their supervision to seize and impound any and all Unauthorized Merchandise which the Defendants attempt to sell, distribute or hold for sale at, within or in the vicinity of the arenas at which the Artist is performing, whether this occurs before, during or after the concerts on the Tour.

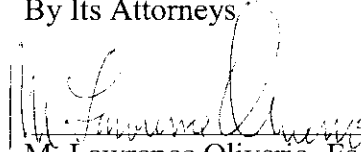
C. That Defendants deliver up for destruction any and all Unauthorized Merchandise.

D. As to All Claims For Relief, that Defendants pay to Plaintiff damages in an amount to be determined.

E. As to All Claims For Relief, that Plaintiff be awarded its costs, attorneys fees and such other and further relief as the Court deems to be just and proper.

Dated: March 30, 2005

Respectfully Submitted
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By Its Attorneys,



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JS 44 (Rev. 11/04)

CIVIL COVER SHEET

The JS 44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REVERSE OF THE FORM.)

I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

SIGNATURE NETWORK, INC.

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff _____
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

(c) Attorney's (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)

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DEFENDANTS

JOHN DOES 1-100, et al.

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant _____
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE
LAND INVOLVED.

Attorney (Known)

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II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff
☒ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant
☐ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

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|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Citizen of This State | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | Incorporated or Principal Place of Business In This State | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 |
| Citizen of Another State | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | Incorporated and Principal Place of Business In Another State | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | Foreign Nation | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 |

IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES
<input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act <input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act <input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excl. Veterans) <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits <input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract <input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 196 Franchise	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury - Med. Malpractice <input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending <input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 610 Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> 620 Other Food & Drug <input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 <input type="checkbox"/> 630 Liquor Laws <input type="checkbox"/> 640 R.R. & Truck <input type="checkbox"/> 650 Airline Regs. <input type="checkbox"/> 660 Occupational Safety/Health <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other	<input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 PROPERTY RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark	<input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> 480 Consumer Credit <input type="checkbox"/> 490 Cable/Sat TV <input type="checkbox"/> 810 Selective Service <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange <input type="checkbox"/> 875 Customer Challenge 12 USC 3410 <input type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions <input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts <input type="checkbox"/> 892 Economic Stabilization Act <input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters <input type="checkbox"/> 894 Energy Allocation Act <input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act <input type="checkbox"/> 900 Appeal of Fee Determination Under Equal Access to Justice <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes
REAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 210 Land Condemnation <input type="checkbox"/> 220 Foreclosure <input type="checkbox"/> 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment <input type="checkbox"/> 240 Torts to Land <input type="checkbox"/> 245 Tort Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 290 All Other Real Property	CIVIL RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 441 Voting <input type="checkbox"/> 442 Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 443 Housing/Accommodations <input type="checkbox"/> 444 Welfare <input type="checkbox"/> 445 Amer. w/Disabilities - Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 446 Amer. w/Disabilities - Other <input type="checkbox"/> 440 Other Civil Rights	PRISONER PETITIONS <input type="checkbox"/> 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence Habeas Corpus: <input type="checkbox"/> 530 General <input type="checkbox"/> 535 Death Penalty <input type="checkbox"/> 540 Mandamus & Other <input type="checkbox"/> 550 Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 555 Prison Condition	LABOR <input type="checkbox"/> 710 Fair Labor Standards Act <input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations <input type="checkbox"/> 730 Labor/Mgmt. Reporting & Disclosure Act <input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act <input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation <input type="checkbox"/> 791 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act	SOCIAL SECURITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g)) FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609

V. ORIGIN

(Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☒ 1 Original Proceeding
☐ 2 Removed from State Court
☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court
☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened
☐ 5 Transferred from another district (specify)
☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation
☐ 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION

Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity):

Brief description of cause:

TRADEMARK INFRINGEMENT

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

☐ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23

DEMAND \$ 1,000,000

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:

JURY DEMAND: ☒ Yes ☐ No

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions):

JUDGE

Judge R. Zobel

DOCKET NUMBER

02-11396 RWZ

DATE 3/30/05 SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

M. Lawrence Oliverio

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

1. TITLE OF CASE (NAME OF FIRST PARTY ON EACH SIDE ONLY)

SIGNATURES NETWORK, Inc v JOHN DOES

2. CATEGORY IN WHICH THE CASE BELONGS BASED UPON THE NUMBERED NATURE OF SUIT CODE LISTED ON THE CIVIL COVER SHEET. (SEE LOCAL RULE 40.1(A)(1)).

- ☐ I. 160, 410, 470, R.23, REGARDLESS OF NATURE OF SUIT.
- ☒ II. 195, 368, 400, 440, 441-444, 540, 550, 555, 625, 710, 720, 730, 740, 790, 791, 820*, 830*, 840*, 850, 890, 892-894, 895, 950. *Also complete AO 120 or AO 121 for patent, trademark or copyright cases
- ☐ III. 110, 120, 130, 140, 151, 190, 210, 230, 240, 245, 290, 310, 315, 320, 330, 340, 345, 350, 355, 360, 362, 365, 370, 371, 380, 385, 450, 891.
- ☐ IV. 220, 422, 423, 430, 460, 510, 530, 610, 620, 630, 640, 650, 660, 690, 810, 861-865, 870, 871, 875, 900.
- ☐ V. 150, 152, 153.

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3. TITLE AND NUMBER, IF ANY, OF RELATED CASES. (SEE LOCAL RULE 40.1(G)). IF MORE THAN ONE PRIOR RELATED CASE HAS BEEN FILED IN THIS DISTRICT PLEASE INDICATE THE TITLE AND NUMBER OF THE FIRST FILED CASE IN THIS COURT.

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4. HAS A PRIOR ACTION BETWEEN THE SAME PARTIES AND BASED ON THE SAME CLAIM EVER BEEN FILED IN THIS COURT?

YES

☒ NO

5. DOES THE COMPLAINT IN THIS CASE QUESTION THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF AN ACT OF CONGRESS AFFECTING THE PUBLIC INTEREST? (SEE 28 USC §2403)

YES

☒ NO

IF SO, IS THE U.S.A. OR AN OFFICER, AGENT OR EMPLOYEE OF THE U.S. A PARTY?

YES

☐ NO

6. IS THIS CASE REQUIRED TO BE HEARD AND DETERMINED BY A DISTRICT COURT OF THREE JUDGES PURSUANT TO TITLE 28 USC §2284?

YES

☒ NO

7. DO ALL OF THE PARTIES IN THIS ACTION, EXCLUDING GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS ("GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES"), RESIDING IN MASSACHUSETTS RESIDE IN THE SAME DIVISION? - (SEE LOCAL RULE 40.1(D)).

YES

☐ NO

A. IF YES, IN WHICH DIVISION DO ALL OF THE NON-GOVERNMENTAL PARTIES RESIDE?

EASTERN DIVISION

CENTRAL DIVISION

WESTERN DIVISION

B. IF NO, IN WHICH DIVISION DO THE MAJORITY OF THE PLAINTIFFS OR THE ONLY PARTIES, EXCLUDING GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES, RESIDING IN MASSACHUSETTS RESIDE?

EASTERN DIVISION

CENTRAL DIVISION

WESTERN DIVISION

(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

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